

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 672

For the relief of Maria Cristina Degrassi.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 8, 2005

Mr. LANTOS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

For the relief of Maria Cristina Degrassi.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS FOR MARIA**
4 **CRISTINA DEGRASSI.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsections (a)
6 and (b) of section 201 of the Immigration and Nationality
7 Act, Maria Cristina Degrassi shall be eligible for issuance
8 of an immigrant visa or for adjustment of status to that
9 of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence
10 upon filing an application for issuance of an immigrant
11 visa under section 204 of such Act or for adjustment of
12 status to lawful permanent resident.

1 (b) ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.—If Maria Cristina
2 Degrassi enters the United States before the filing dead-
3 line specified in subsection (c), the alien shall be consid-
4 ered to have entered and remained lawfully and shall, if
5 otherwise eligible, be eligible for adjustment of status
6 under section 245 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
7 as of the date of enactment of this Act.

8 (c) DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION AND PAYMENT OF
9 FEES.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall apply only if the ap-
10 plication for issuance of an immigrant visa or the applica-
11 tion for adjustment of status are filed with appropriate
12 fees within 2 years after the date of enactment of this
13 Act.

14 (d) REDUCTION OF IMMIGRANT VISA NUMBERS.—
15 Upon the granting of an immigrant visa or permanent res-
16 idence to Maria Cristina Degrassi, the Secretary of State
17 shall instruct the proper officer to reduce by the appro-
18 priate number, during the current or next following fiscal
19 year, the total number of immigrant visas that are made
20 available to natives of the country of the aliens' birth
21 under section 203(a) of the Immigration and Nationality
22 Act or, if applicable, the total number of immigrant visas
23 that are made available to natives of the country of the
24 aliens' birth under section 202(e) of such Act.

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